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## **REMARKS**

This Response is being submitted in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 31, 2006. Please replace the previously submitted Amendment in the Claims, which was filed on October 21, 2005, with the claim amendments above. The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment noted that claim 4 depended from cancelled claim 3. Applicant has amended claim 4 to depend from claim 1. No new matter has been added by this amendment, and support for this amendment can be found in the specification and the claims as originally filed.

## Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 2, and 4-6 are allowable. A favorable Office Action is respectfully solicited.

Should the Examiner have any comments, questions or suggestions of a nature necessary to expedite the prosecution of the application, or to place the case in condition for allowance, the Examiner is courteously requested to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below

Respectfully submitted,

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